

I am very opposed to the use of cell phones once planes have left the ground, even if it is determined that the calls will not interfere with pilot radio transmissions. My reasons are these: it doesn't make sense to make it even easier for potential terrorists to be able to communicate via cell phone with their compatriots while flying commercially. Also, I think it is "cruel and unusual punishment" to subject passengers in the small space of a plane to be forced to listen to unending phone conversations of those who are too insensitive to realize that their loud conversations are annoying to others around them. Also, I think that large numbers of people on continuous phone calls could be dangerous in that those on the phones would not be listening to potentially important instructions from flight attendants.